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MEMORANDUM

10 August 1988

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TO:

FROM: Mike Di Silvestrompo

RE: The attached article

If Judge Webster's 9 August remarks to the American Bar Association refer in part to past, present or expected attempts against the Congress, I would like to be briefed thereon by appropriate Agency and/or FBI officials. Could you arrange such a briefing?

Thanks.

Webster Predicts More Soviet Spying in U.S.

10 AUGES NY Times

TORONTO, Aug. 9 (Reuters) — William H. Webster, the Director of Central Intelligence, said today that the Soviet Union was increasing its spying in the United States.

"Despite glasnost and perestroika, we have seen an increase this year in Soviet attempts to recruit U.S. sources," Mr. Webster told the annual meeting of the American Bar Association.

"We also expect to see greater Soviet efforts to recruit U.S. personnel abroad and a greater effort to penetrate allied governments," Mr. Webster said.

Asked why he believed the Soviets

would step up their spying, Mr. Webster said: "Well, maybe we're getting better at finding it or it's more important to them to know certain things. For instance, on arms control"

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The Director added, "None of the essential goals of Soviet world domiantion have changed."

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Mr. Webster also denied recent reports that the Central Intelligence Agency is working to discredit Oscar

Agency is working to discredit Oscar Arias, the Costa Rican President.
"Absolutely not," he said, dismissing the notion that the C.I.A. has a foreign policy of its own. "It's the foreign policy of the United States that is the policy we support everywhere."